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WILL BERRY REPEAT FEATS OF DRISCOLL ON FRANKLIN FIELD?

Many Look for Former Penn Headliner to Duplicate Work of Great Lakes Star Against Rutgers in League Island Game Here Tomorrow

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ONE-MAN football teams have become quite popular this year because of the unusual condition of the sport. There was a time when a star was given special attention by the opposing players until he was fit for nothing but a hospital; but that day has passed. Individual playing has won the biggest games of the 1918 season, and we are likely to see just how it is done at Franklin Field tomorrow.

Can Howard Berry pull the same stunt of Paddy Driscoll when he walloped Rutgers, and Duco, of Cleveland, when Pittsburgh was defeated? He has all of the qualifications and the chances are that he will make things extremely unpleasant for the League Islanders. Howard, like Driscoll and Duco, is an individual performer. He is likely to break loose at any time for a long run and sew up the game, or slip a drop-kick over the crossbar. He is one of the most dangerous men on a football field, because he can do everything and do it well.

Berry is a brilliant open-field runner, an excellent drop-kicker, a good punter and also throws a forward pass accurately. When he is called back on kick formation he has the other side guessing, for no one can tell whether he will punt, run or throw a forward pass. He is an ideal "combination man"—the same as Eddie Mahan when he played with Harvard.

The old Penn star will be required to do most of the work tomorrow, but he is in shape to do it. After an absence of one year Berry is anxious to play again on Franklin Field and show his many friends he has not gone back. He is not the only good player on the Camp Hancock eleven, but the opponents will watch him closely.

BY DICKSON has his men primed for the battle, which will end the local football season. There are several stars on the League Island team to compare against the stellar performers of the visitors, and the hope at present is a 50-50 proposition.

Plan to Punish "Jumping" Soccer Players

LAST summer baseball men were annoyed by players who jumped to shipyards and steel mills to take up war work, and we had an idea that this practice would stop when the armistice was signed. However, such has not been the case. Soccer players have been lured from their home teams to join the paint and putty workers, and the United States Football Association threatens to deal harshly with the offenders. According to a story from New York, shipyards have offered easy jobs to star players with "wages" as great as \$21 a day. A certain Brooklyn drydock club is accused of this practice.

Tampering with signed players did not reach alarming proportions until this fall, when agents of shipyards and steel plant teams began to pattern after the baseball managers and sign all comers. A star soccer player virtually was allowed to write his own ticket, for that game is most popular with the men and draws bigger gate receipts. Many independent teams have been ruined and this caused the governing soccer body to take action.

"While frowning on the business of approaching signed players," writes C. A. Lovett, of New York, "the football officials did not act at once. They inclined to the belief that with the end of the war the evil would abate. They failed to recognize until recently that shipbuilding would go on indefinitely on a large scale. There came a sudden awakening when it became known that shipyards soccer managers were signing players to two and three year contracts."

IT IS not known whether this was done in Philadelphia, but the local teams have suffered. The Veterans and Wanderers have lost all of their players, only three remain at Diston's, and Falls Field Club, David Lupton's Sons and American Pulley teams have been hard hit.

Many Surprises Expected in Baseball

THE announcement that Tris Speaker would manage the Cleveland baseball club next season instead of Lee Fohl is the beginning of a series of startling developments in our great national pastime. From now on the magnates will be kept busy announcing their plans for the season, all of which not only will stimulate interest in the sport, but also keep the fans on edge.

Other managerial changes are contemplated. St. Louis stepping out in front with two vacancies, according to reports. The Browns for some reason or other are said to be in the market for a successor to Jimmy Burke, and Johnny Evers probably will be offered the leadership of the Cards in place of Jack Hendricks.

It seems unfair to give Hendricks the gate after his work last season. Jack is a high-class manager and proved it in every game despite the standing of his club in the percentage column. Jack had the worst material in the league last year and was lucky to finish at all. Most of his men were taken in the draft, Hornsby flitted terribly and his pitching staff, which consisted of Packard, May, Ames and Meadows, had to work their heads off. No big league manager ever had the job handed to Hendricks, and his reward was the gate.

Nothing definite has been done in regard to offering Evers the job, but stories from St. Louis speak of Hendricks as a has-been and boost Evers for the position.

The Cleveland affair, which apparently has eliminated Lee Fohl, looks mighty strange indeed. All Fohl did was to boost the Indians from the second division to third place in 1917 and second last season. He has made good, but not good enough. It's an old stunt to fire the manager in Cleveland and many heads have been chopped off in the last ten years. Playing managers, however, never have made good in that town, notable examples being Larry Lajolo, Joe Birmingham and George Stovall. Perhaps Speaker will come through in better style, but it's a safe bet his playing will suffer. A manager has enough work without playing a ball game every day.

WHEN the magnates meet in New York and Chicago next week the rumor factory will have to work overtime. There will be deals and cups galore, with every manager willing and anxious to talk business. An effort has been made to call the leagues together in a joint session, but according to Ben Johnson this probably will not be done.

Decide Fate of College Cage League Tomorrow

THE fate of the Intercollegiate Basketball League will be decided at a meeting of the league officials in New York tomorrow night. At that time the powers that be in the sport will vote whether the organization is to be or not to be. Before peace was declared there was little hope of the schedule being completed this year. The Government rules, as laid down by Colonel Rees, for the student army training corps would not permit more than two overnight trips a month, and this would have prevented the intercollegiate games, for in January as many as three or four overnight trips are made by one team.

When peace came, however, it cast a different light on the possibilities of the cage season. The student army training corps will be demobilized by the first of the new year, and when the students return to their universities and colleges after their Christmas vacation they will be under a peace roster. This means that any athletic team can take as many trips as the schedule calls for, provided, of course, that faculty consent is given.

Ralph Morgan, the former Penn manager, who is secretary of the league, will do his best to have the league continued, and it is very likely that it will be. The league secretary announced some time ago that he thought it probable that the league would continue under a limited schedule. He said that trips for Pennsylvania to Dartmouth and Cornell would be out of the question.

PENN has great material for a quintet this year, and it would not be surprising if the Quakers repeat in the race for the title.

AMATEUR CAGE COMMENT

Western A. C. would like to hear from all good and third class home clubs. L. W. manager, 120 South 10th street, or call Woodland 1201 J. after 9:30 p. m.

American A. A. has several open dates during this month for all of the leading fifteen to twenty year old home quintets. St. L. manager, 247 North 10th street.

Porter's Club is anxious to book games with all of the leading first-class teams having home floors. Herman Klein, manager, 247 South 10th street.

West A. C. a second-class traveling team, will accept one game and is anxious to book several more. James L. Hall, manager, 247 North 10th street.



Weinstein, the Courageous, Booster of "Fading Hope"

Heroic Boxing Magnate, Despite Reverses the Many, Insists O'Keefe Has Chance for Title

BENNY LEONARD'S CHUM

By JAMES S. CAROLAN

GREAT fighters often make great managers, but it is a tough job for a great manager to make a great fighter. Tom Jones piloted three champions to the top and through the prowess of Billy Papke, Ad Wolgast and Jess Willard, Jones soon was recognized as one of boxing's leading authorities.

But for courage the glad hand must be extended to a quiet Philadelphia. For more than two seasons he daily has extolled the fine qualities of a boy who has suffered many reverses. Even in times when knockout defeats were handed out to his protegee, this pilot refused to take the count. He was right back the following day, not with an alibi, but with a "he'll do better the next time. Luck of condition hurt him last night. Just watch the boy when he does some real training."

Weinstein the Hero

For two seasons Jack Weinstein has been a confirmed booster of Eddie O'Keefe, one time leader among the featherweights. Jack never was accused of retreating regardless of conditions, physical or otherwise. Jack likes the boxing game, and in addition to O'Keefe numbers among his personal friends Benny Leonard, the world's lightweight champion; Billy Gibson, Leonard's manager, and George Engle, the new matchmaker of the Olympia A. A.

Boxing is Jack's favorite sport, but he has another hobby—BANQUETING. Whenever there is a banquet of sportsmen there you'll find Smiling Jack. He usually supplies all the decorations, and as a decorator he is O. K. plus. All the little trick souvenirs that serve as party remembrances usually are supplied by Generous Jack.

Visions Fade

A few months ago Jack planned to branch out in the boxing game. He had visions of becoming a promoter. He even went so far as to seek terms for a club in West Philadelphia, but later gave up the idea. He next had a corner on the fight market, having a dozen men under his wing, but before the fall season opened, quietly permitted the gloves armed with all but Eddie. The veteran had been working at Hog Island all summer, and a few nights ago happened to walk into his courageous, booming manner.

"I've started training again, Jack," said Eddie, "and want another chance. Look me over."

Still Insisting
Often had Jack heard that same promise and just as often has seen it broken. Now, however, Eddie, through



FOOTBALL—Franklin Field SATURDAY, DEC. 7, 2:30 P. M.

ARMY vs. NAVY

Came Hancock League Island Navy Team. Reserved seats, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, 1.00, 1.10, 1.20, 1.30, 1.40, 1.50, 1.60, 1.70, 1.80, 1.90, 2.00, 2.10, 2.20, 2.30, 2.40, 2.50, 2.60, 2.70, 2.80, 2.90, 3.00, 3.10, 3.20, 3.30, 3.40, 3.50, 3.60, 3.70, 3.80, 3.90, 4.00, 4.10, 4.20, 4.30, 4.40, 4.50, 4.60, 4.70, 4.80, 4.90, 5.00, 5.10, 5.20, 5.30, 5.40, 5.50, 5.60, 5.70, 5.80, 5.90, 6.00, 6.10, 6.20, 6.30, 6.40, 6.50, 6.60, 6.70, 6.80, 6.90, 7.00, 7.10, 7.20, 7.30, 7.40, 7.50, 7.60, 7.70, 7.80, 7.90, 8.00, 8.10, 8.20, 8.30, 8.40, 8.50, 8.60, 8.70, 8.80, 8.90, 9.00, 9.10, 9.20, 9.30, 9.40, 9.50, 9.60, 9.70, 9.80, 9.90, 10.00, 10.10, 10.20, 10.30, 10.40, 10.50, 10.60, 10.70, 10.80, 10.90, 11.00, 11.10, 11.20, 11.30, 11.40, 11.50, 11.60, 11.70, 11.80, 11.90, 12.00, 12.10, 12.20, 12.30, 12.40, 12.50, 12.60, 12.70, 12.80, 12.90, 13.00, 13.10, 13.20, 13.30, 13.40, 13.50, 13.60, 13.70, 13.80, 13.90, 14.00, 14.10, 14.20, 14.30, 14.40, 14.50, 14.60, 14.70, 14.80, 14.90, 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